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## Man Accused of Breaking into San Marino Home, Tying Up Housekeeper

A 24-year-old man accused of breaking into a San Marino home and binding the housekeeper at knifepoint pleaded not guilty yesterday afternoon, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Yongcheng Huang (dob 12/1/89) was arraigned in case GA093039 on six felony counts: two counts of false imprisonment by violence and one count each of first-degree burglary, home invasion robbery, kidnapping for ransom, and attempted home invasion robbery.

The felony complaint includes a special allegation that Huang personally used a deadly and dangerous weapon, a knife, in the commission of the crime.

The defendant appeared before Judge Carlos A. Uranga at the Los Angeles County Superior Court in Alhambra. His bail was set at \$1.32 million.

Prosecutors said on April 18 Huang, armed with a knife, allegedly forced his way into a San Marino home and tied up the housekeeper.

The defendant reportedly demanded money from the woman. When he learned the housekeeper had none, Huang waited for the homeowner to return to the house.

When the homeowner arrived, he provided Huang with \$900 cash and then the defendant left the house, prosecutors said. Soon after the burglary, police located Huang and he was arrested in connection with the incident.

His next court date is scheduled for May 13 for a preliminary hearing setting at the Alhambra Courthouse in Department 5. If convicted as charged, the defendant faces a maximum sentence of life in state prison.

The case remains under investigation by the San Marino Police Department.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.